Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the supplier	Year	Quantity produced (Tons)	Value (Rs. Lakhs)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1	M/s Sukan Chemicals	1982-83	144·80	311 83
		1983-84	159·55	364·45
		1984-85	198·45	462·31
2	M/s. Vani Chemicals.	1982-83	55·00	116·25
		1983-84	100·00	223·04
		1984-85	134·97	314·42
3	M/s. Chackosons	1982-83	25·00	54·09
		1983-84	10·00	23·29
		1984-85	23·00	53·58
4	M/s. Arvind Exports Pvt. Ltd.	1982-83	3·4	6·29
5	M/s. I.D.P.L.	1982-83	115·83	266·92
		1983-84	120·65	276·06
		1984-85	121·00	281·88
6	M/s. South India Research Instt.	1983-84	2·00	4·66
		1984-85	22.00	51.25

Outstanding payment due to public sector drug units

2854. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRI BISWA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the arrears of bills for products and medicines supplied by various public sector pharmaceutical units to various hospitals and medical departments of States;

(b) whether Government had issued any circular to all State Chief Ministers to clear the outstanding bills of these pharmaceutical units;

(c) if so, when and with what result; and

(d) if not, what is the total amount due to M/s. Smith Stanistreet Pharmaceuticals Ltd. from various States as on 31st October, 1985?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) In February, 1985, the State Chief Ministers and heads of Union territories were requested, *inter alia*, for clearance of all the outstanding bills of public sector drug companies. In October, 1985 Chief Ministers were again reminded in this regard in respect of outstanding of IDPL and HAL.

As a result there has been slight improvement in the clearance of outstanding bills of these companies.

(d) The total amount due to M/s. Smith Stanistreet Pharmaceuticals Limited from various States is about Rs. 188.40 lakhs as on 31st October, 1985.

Closure of Muzaffarpur unit of IDPL

2855. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

a) whether it is a fact that Muzaffarput unit of IDPL has been lying closed for the last four months for want of alocohol, the basic raw material; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what measures are being taken for the supply of alcohol to this unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) According to IDPL, production of Niacinamide is continuing at the Muzaffarpur plant of IDPL.

(b) IDPL has been granted licence for the imports of industrial alcohol.

Changes in STD code number

2856. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the S.T.D. code numbers of certain towns in the country have been changed; and

(b) if so, what are the names of these towns alongwith their code numbers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) STD station code number for National Dialling which have a prefix '0', once allotted are normally not changed except in unavoidable circumstances due to technical reasons.

For point to point STD with access code '9' or '8' between only pairs of stations, station codes difference from the national codes are given as these are interim schemes. They may be changed depending upon the equipment in the two stations.

(b) Following are some of the towns where changes in national codes were made:

	Name of the town	Old Code	New Code
1	Kharagpur	03222 and 0321	03222
2	Turbhe	02154	0215
3	Pollachi	04939	04259

Court cases connected with Bhopal gas Disaster

2857. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of persons/against whom cases have been filed in courts in connection with disastrous gas leakage from Union Carbide Plant Bhopal in December, 1984; and

(b) if no case has been filed what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) The State Authorities have registered an offence under relevant provisions of the Indian Penal Code against the following persons:

1. Mr. Warren Anderson, Chairman, Union Carbide Corporation

2. Mr. K. Mahendra, Chairman, Union Carbide India Ltd.

3. Mr. Vijay Gokhale, Managing Director, UCIL, Bhopal

4. Mr. J. Mukund, Works Manager, UCIL, Bhopal

5. Dr R. B. Roy Choudhury, Dy. Works Manager, UCIL, Bhopal

6. Mr. S. B. Choudhury, Production Manager, UCIL, Bhopal

7. Mr Shetty Plant Superintendent, UCIL, Bhopal

8. Mr. Mohd. Shakul Qureshi, Supervisor, UCIL, Bhopal.